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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

ADMINISTRATOR'S MEMORANDUM NO. 17

Overtime Compensation for Meat Inspection Employees

The Act of July 24, 1919, making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, provides, in part, as follows:

"That hereafter the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized in his discretion to pay employees of the Bureau of Animal Industry employed in establishments subject to the provisions of the Meat Inspection Act of June 30, 1906, for all overtime work performed at such establishments, at such rates as he may determine, and to accept from such establishments wherein such overtime work is performed reimbursement for any sums paid out by him for such overtime work."

The War Overtime Pay Act of 1943, approved May 7, 1943 (Public Law No. 49, 78th Congress), specifically provides that:

"The provisions of this Act shall not operate to prevent payment for overtime service in accordance with . . . [the] Act of July 24, 1919 (41 Stat. 241; U.S.C. Title 7, Sec. 394), . . . Provided, That the overtime service covered by such payment shall not also form a basis for overtime compensation under this Act."

On and after the effective date of this Memorandum, employees engaged in meat inspection work who come within the scope of the Act of July 24, 1919, shall be paid overtime compensation or additional compensation in lieu of overtime in accordance with the rules and procedures prescribed in Personnel Circular No. 130 (Revision I), dated June 5, 1943, and Budget and Finance Circular 654, Revision I, dated May 27, 1943, and/or any supplements to or revisions of such Circulars which may be made in the future.

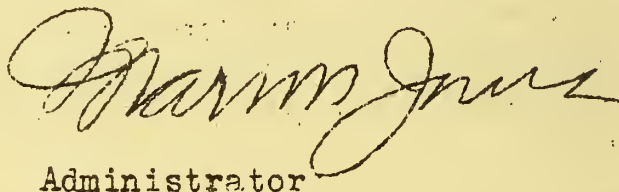
The management of an establishment desiring to operate under conditions which will require the services of any employee of the Department of Agriculture who comes within the scope of the Act of July 24, 1919, on Sunday or a holiday or for more than eight working hours of any day, shall, sufficiently in advance of the period of overtime, request the inspector in charge or his assistant to provide inspection service

during such overtime period and shall reimburse the Secretary of Agriculture for the cost of such overtime upon receipt of notice from an authorized official of the Department.

The term "holiday" as used in the preceding paragraph means specifically New Year's Day, Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Armistice Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas, or the days legally celebrated in lieu of such national holidays, or national holidays so declared by Federal law or Executive order. Sundays and holidays shall be regarded as beginning and ending at midnight.

Secretary's Memorandum No. 288, dated August 4, 1919, and Secretary's Memorandum No. 489, dated June 18, 1924, are hereby superseded and canceled.

The effective date of this memorandum shall be July 1, 1943.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "H. M. Jones", is written over the printed name of the Administrator.

Administrator